


Grounds of Rejection To Be Reviewed On Appeal (37 CFR 41.37)

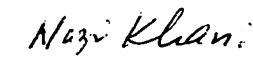
1. Drawings Fig. 1 objected under 37CFR1.83a on basis of cuff having graded inside diameter as set forth in claims 1,13 and 17.
2. Claims 1-5, 7-10, 12-14, 17, and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 6,102,884 to Squitieri in view of US 5,399,173 to Parks et al.
3. Claims 6, 11, 15, 16, 19 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 6,102,884 to Squitieri in view of US 5,399,173 to Parks et al, further in view of US 5,591,226 to Trerotola et al.
4. Claim 10 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 6,102,884 to Squitieri in view of US 5,591,226 to Trerotola et al.
5. Claim 17 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 6,102,884 to Squitieri in view of US 5,399,173 to Parks et al, further in view of US 5,509,897 to Twardowski et al.

Appellants are not represented by an attorney or a registered agent.

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